



Crop Progress and Condition

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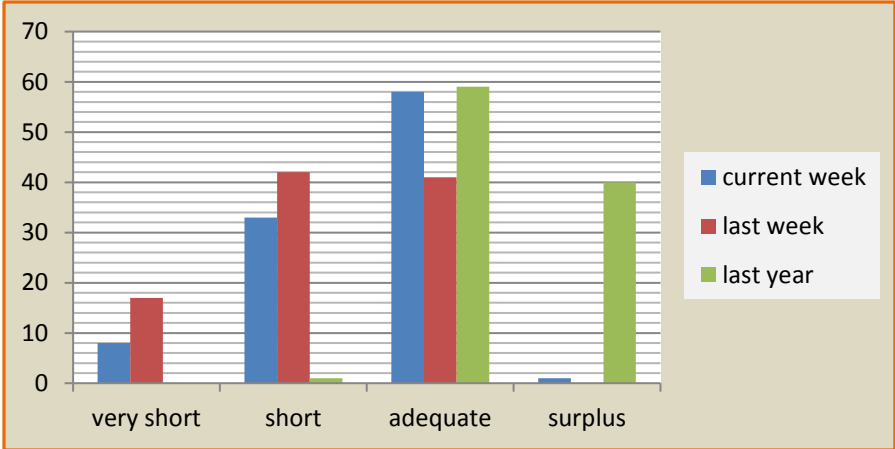
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.3. Drought conditions continue in parts of the State, but rain has improved moisture levels. Farming activities this week included hauling hay, planting wheat and harvesting soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/27/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	8	33	58	1
Subsoil	7	40	53	-

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/27/19



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/27/19

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	1	11	33	48	7
Soybeans	-	5	13	70	12
Pasture	9	24	37	28	2
Cattle & Calves	-	4	31	60	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	33	62	3

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/27/19

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn mature	77	70	85	89
Corn harvested for grain	51	45	34	51
Hay third cut	88	80	67	87
Soybeans dropping leaves	87	78	71	83
Soybeans harvested	26	17	14	37
Winter Wheat planted	61	47	33	47
Winter Wheat emerged	33	20	13	23

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 27, 2019

Although cooler temperatures were recorded across the State this week, most locations were still reporting above average temperatures. The only exceptions are Beckley and Bluefield, which recorded just below normal temperatures for the week. Clarksburg and Elkins ended the week farthest from average, coming in at +6 and +5 degrees. The majority of stations only reached highs in the 70s, while most low temperatures dropped into the 20s and 30s. Precipitation continued to help with moisture levels. Early in the week, a strong cold front produced statewide precipitation. Later in the week, following a short period of high pressure, a moisture laden warm front, immediately followed by another cold front, produced more rain statewide. All stations reported above average rainfall for the week, helping with the dry conditions across the region. Nearly all stations reached the one inch precipitation mark. The Southern third of the State and some spotty locations farther North remain in D0 (abnormally dry) conditions. D1 (moderate drought) conditions persist in the coal fields.

Temperatures: Clarksburg had the highest recorded temperature of 83 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 28 degrees. The state average temperature was 54 degrees.

Precipitation: Keyser had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.84 inches. Clarksburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.86 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.23 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/27/19									
Temperature					Precipitation				
Station	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2019	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	75	42	54	3	1.39	0.57	23.87	40.42	24.13
PARKERSBURG	77	36	54	1	1.14	0.65	26.02	32.64	24.95
CRESTON	79	33	55		1.31		31.04	39.06	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	76	38	54	2	0.93	0.61	26.14	34.54	26.02
CLARKSBURG	83	36	57	6	0.86	0.74	24.51	35.40	27.90
BELINGTON	80	33	54		1.03		23.13	45.08	
WESTON	79	34	55		0.93		27.27	49.45	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	82	36	57		1.28		26.63	29.50	
HUNTINGTON	79	37	56	2	1.32	0.66	27.93	36.37	25.50
CHARLESTON	82	34	56	2	1.37	0.62	28.31	37.84	26.54
RIPLEY	78	32	55		1.18		28.41	36.89	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	66	28	49		1.04		34.22	48.75	
ELKINS	76	29	54	5	1.13	0.66	31.42	47.24	28.61
MARLINTON	76	30	52		1.47		27.81	36.33	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	70	29	50	-1	1.27	0.60	25.71	32.84	25.74
PINEVILLE	78	31	56		1.34		23.50	30.67	
BLUEFIELD	69	30	52	-2	1.31	0.55	22.28	32.01	24.53
WHITE SUL SP	67	30	51		1.32		24.49	36.80	
BLUESTONE DAM	70	38	54		1.16		23.26	32.17	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	76	34	55	4	1.20	0.68	23.55	45.21	24.17
KEYSER	71	29	52		1.84		25.29	44.20	
MOOREFIELD	72	32	54		1.22		27.77	31.50	
State Average Temperature	54								
State Average Precipitation	1.23								

Source:
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.

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